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Security Council

3 p.m. . . . . 6769th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999)

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (S/2012/275)

Security Council Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

A thematic debate on "Security in Central America as a regional and global challenge: How to promote and implement the Central American security strategy" will be held on Wednesday, 16 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 May 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

List of speakers

The special meeting, to establish the list of speakers for the debate in the plenary of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, to be held from Wednesday, 20, to Friday, 22 June 2012, in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), pursuant to General Assembly resolution 66/197 of 22 December 2011 (A/RES/66/197), *has been postponed to Tuesday, 15 May 2012*, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). Delegations who have not yet submitted their request for inscription on the list of speakers are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, their level of participation, *in writing*, and hand-delivered to the General Assembly Affairs Branch (room IN-0613A). For further information, please contact Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

Accreditation of national security personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for national security personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications will be received until *Friday, 25 May 2012*. From Monday, 4 June 2012, onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Wednesday, 16 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, for the consideration of draft resolution A/66/L.42/Rev.1, under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit).

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

A thematic debate on the "State of the world economy and finance in 2012" will be held on Thursday, 17 and Friday, 18 May 2012. The programme of the meetings is contained in the letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 May 2012, sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Friday, 8 June 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, to elect the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 4). Immediately following the plenary meeting, the Main Committees will hold their consecutive meetings for the purpose of electing their Chairs at the sixty-seventh session (agenda item 5) and their respective Bureaux. Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees, the General Assembly will hold another plenary meeting to elect the Vice-Presidents at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 6). The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated their nominations are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, in order to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be sent by e-mail (muturi@un.org) or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-3783). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Mary Muturi (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 149 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (A/66/616, A/66/753 and A/66/718/Add.18)); and

Agenda item 159 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia (A/66/602, A/66/691 and A/66/718/Add.13))

3 p.m. . . . . 34th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments . . . [115]

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/66/102/Add.2)

2. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations . . . . . [136]

Statement by the Officer-in-Charge of the Department of Management

3. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations . . . . . [146]

Support account for peacekeeping operations (A/66/610, A/66/610/Add.1, A/66/721, A/66/737, A/66/779, A/66/755 and A/66/779/Add.1); and

United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/66/603, A/66/724 and A/66/718/Add.15)

Introduction and general discussion

Afternoon[1]–1 p.m. . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/66/603, A/66/724 and A/66/718/Add.15))

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 34th meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

Executive meeting

Independent Audit Advisory Committee
Eighteenth session

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D (NLB)

2–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D (NLB)

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group VI (Security Interests)
Twenty-first session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Eleventh session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 9th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)[1]

Half-day discussion on the rights of indigenous peoples to food and food sovereignty [6]

Study on shifting cultivation and the sociocultural integrity of indigenous peoples (E/C.19/2012/8)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 10th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)[1]

Half-day discussion on the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples . . . . . [7]

[Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room IN-0613C; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).]

[For background and other related documents of the eleventh session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/indigenous>. Please *click here* to consult the list of side events scheduled to be held during the session.]

[1]The Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB) will serve as an overflow room.

Other meetings

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Monday, 14 May 2012

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Other activities

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Monday, 14 May 2012

Briefing to Member States on the Secretary-General's report entitled "Delivering justice: Programme of action to strengthen the rule of law at the national and international levels" (A/66/749) (organized by the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Giovanni Bassu (e-mail bassu@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8501).]

Panel discussion on "The family and the MDGs: Using family capital to achieve the Millennium Development Goals" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar)

From 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Andrée Antoun, Permanent Mission of Qatar (e-mail aantoun@mofa.gov.qa; tel. 1 (212) 486-9335, ext. 223).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

Monday, 14 May 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

10 a.m. . . . . Mr. Carlos Batzín, Minister of Culture of Guatemala; H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Permanent Representative of Guatemala; Mr. Pedro Duchez, Director of the Guatemalan Tourist Commission (INGUAT); and Mr. Álvaro Pop, member of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (on the launch of B'aktun — The beginning of a new era in the Mayan culture) [sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Guatemala]

11 a.m. . . . . Mr. John Henriksen (Saami, Norway), Co-Facilitator of the preparatory process for the 2014 World Conference on Indigenous Peoples; Ms. Myrna Cunningham Kain (Miskito, Nicaragua), member of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; Mr. Joseph Ole Simel, member of the Mainyoito Pastoralist Integrated Development Organization (Kenya); and Mr. Felix Cárdenas, Vice-Minister of Decolonization of the Plurinational State of Bolivia (on the 2014 World Conference on Indigenous Peoples)

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

12.30 p.m. . . . . Mr. Luis Moreno-Ocampo, Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Tuesday, 15 May 2012, at 10 a.m. and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 342nd meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Wednesday, 16 May 2012, at *4.30 p.m.* in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). Mr. Mohammad Shtayyeh, member of the Palestinian delegation to the peace talks and Minister in charge of the Palestinian Economic Council for Development and Reconstruction, will brief the Committee on the situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and developments in the political process.

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Seventeenth session

The seventeenth session of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation will be held from Tuesday, 22, to Friday, 25 May 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents SSC/17/L.2 and SSC/17/L.3.

The list of speakers for the general debate is now open and will be closed on Tuesday, 22 May 2012, at 6 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers, as well as those which have not yet transmitted the list of their delegates to the session, are kindly requested to convey the information, *as soon as possible*, to the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation (e-mail southsouth@undp.org).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C (A/RES/54/237 A-C), in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2012*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B (A/RES/57/4 B), as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 (A/RES/64/248). Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Annual session of 2012

Pre-session informal meeting

A pre-session informal briefing of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) will take place on Tuesday, 15 May 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Annual session

The annual session of 2012 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will be held from Tuesday, 29 May, to Friday, 1 June 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2012/L.3.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), and requests to be inscribed on the list of speakers, to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org), as early as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 22 May 2012*. To consult the documentation for the session, please *click here*.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-second Meeting

The Twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will be held at Headquarters, from Monday, 4, to Monday, 11 June 2012. The Meeting will be convened on Monday, 4 June, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The provisional agenda of the Meeting is contained in document SPLOS/L.69.

In connection with item 9 of the provisional agenda (Election of 21 members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf), States parties are reminded that the election will take place during the Meeting. With regard to the composition of delegations, States parties that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials, *no later than Thursday, 31 May 2012*, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (room DC2-450). Credentials should be submitted in due form as required by rule 13 of the rules of procedure for the Meeting of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4).

Furthermore, in relation with item 10 of the provisional agenda (Commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea), delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division and provide a copy of their statement (e-mail ahreum.lee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2872) (copies for distribution at the meeting are to be provided by the delegation).

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
High-level event

High-level event to commemorate the fifth anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

In accordance with paragraph 6 of General Assembly resolution 66/142 (A/RES/66/142), the Secretary-General will convene a high-level event during the eleventh session of the Forum to commemorate the fifth anniversary of the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, on Thursday, 17 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. Further information on the event is available at the following address: <www.un.org/indigenous>.

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies that have not registered for the eleventh session of the Permanent Forum, but wish to have a reserved seat in the General Assembly Hall for the commemorative event are requested to indicate their intention to attend the commemorative event by sending an e-mail to the secretariat (herity@un.org, with a copy to leu@un.org), *by close of business on Monday, 14 May 2012.*

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 resumed session

The 2012 resumed session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from Monday, 21, to Wednesday, 30 May 2012, in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The provisional agenda with annotations is contained in document E/C.2/2012/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to update the composition of their delegations, and new observers wishing to attend the resumed session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Sonia Elliott (c/o Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; room IN-0608B; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs <www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo>. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online paperless committee system <http://csonet.org/ngocommittee>, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Members may also wish to take advantage of the PaperSmart e-services offered by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM). Delegations and participants attending the session are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefings

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold informal briefings in preparation for the 2012 annual session, as follows: Tuesday, 15 May 2012, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB): on the office of Internal Audit 2011 annual report; and on the annual report on the evaluation function and major evaluations, including the management response to the thematic analysis (violence against children programming).

Pre-session informal briefings

A pre-session informal briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board will be held on Monday, 21 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB). An informal briefing on the thematic discussion on Focus Area 5 of the medium-term strategic plan (Policy advocacy and partnerships for children's rights) will also be held in the same context.

Annual session

The 2012 annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 5, to Friday, 8 June 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/9.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at the following site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_61796.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; or fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Friday, 25 May 2012*. In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (under agenda item 63 (b)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Egypt)

Wednesday, 16 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. Conference Room E (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies" (under agenda item 32) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, in its capacity as chair of the International Conference of New or Restored Democracies)

Thursday, 17 May 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

Wednesday, 16 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB); and

Wednesday, 23 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 16 May 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (meeting of the New York Committee)

Wednesday, 23 May 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Panel discussion on "Ensuring work-family balance" (in observance of the International Day of Families) (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Tuesday, 15 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Renata Kaczmarska, DESA (e-mail kaczmarska@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4596); or *click here*.]

Special concert in support of a Permanent Memorial to the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade (General Assembly resolution 62/122 (A/RES/62/122)) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI))

Tuesday, 15 May 2012, at 7 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall.

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please visit <www.unslaverymemorial.org/concert>; or contact Ms. Geraldine Adams, DPI (e-mail adamsg@un.org).]

UNITAR/USIP Course on "Governance — Paths to democratic institution building in transition environments" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United States Institute of Peace (USIP))

Wednesday, 16 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB);

Thursday, 17 May 2012, from 9.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 1.30 to 5.30 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Turkey (821 United Nations Plaza, 8th Floor); and

Friday, 18 May 2012, from 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1.15 to 4 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of Turkey (821 United Nations Plaza, 8th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail gandoish@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; fax 1 (212) 963-9686).]

Briefing for interested delegates on Web-based reporting for the United Nations Register of Conventional Arms (organized by the Conventional Arms Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs)

Wednesday, 16 May 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. (first session); and from 4 to 5 p.m. (second session), in Conference Room DN-2514 (Daily News Building).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact the Conventional Arms Branch (e-mail haregwein@un.org or mcwilliams@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6208 or (212) 963-1075).]

Panel discussion on "Impact of public-private partnerships in education: An evidence-based approach" (co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the IDP Foundation)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact to Ms. Janae Bushman, UNESCO New York Office (e-mail ej.bushman@unesco.org).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2011/240, the fifteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 21, to Friday, 25 May 2012, in Conference Room XIX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2012/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Mr. Mongi Hamdi, Head, Science, Technology and ICT Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics,

UNCTAD, Room E.7077, Geneva (e-mail mongi.hamdi@unctad.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-5069; fax 011-41-22-917-0052).

In preparation for the session, please *click here* to review the documentation and other background information.

Inquiries on the fifteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to Mr. Otto Gustafik, Secretary of the Commission (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Searching the Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 15 May 2012.

News resources for the United Nations community (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 22 May 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 22 May 2012; and

Thursday, 24 May 2012.

Social Networking 101: A user guide to the United Nations Library's social media tools (10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Thursday, 24 May 2012.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly *(reminder)*

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

To be received by Thursday, 31 May 2012:

Resolution 66/24, para. 3, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security" (A/RES/66/24),

adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/21-2012/IT dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/25, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East" (A/RES/66/25), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/03-2012/NWFZME dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/46, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*" (A/RES/66/46), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/02-2012/ICJ dated 10 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/31, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control" (A/RES/66/31), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/23-2012/EN dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/32, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation" A/RES/66/32), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/22-2012/ML dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/38, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context" (A/RES/66/38), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/07/2012 dated 15 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/50, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction" A/RES/66/50), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/04-2012/WMDT dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/63, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region" (A/RES/66/63), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/08-2012/SSCMR dated 14 February 2012 refers); and

Resolution 65/77, paras. 2 and 3, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education" (A/RES/65/77), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/27-2012/DNP dated 27 February 2012 refers).

To be received by Friday, 1 June 2012:

Resolution 65/55, paras. 2, 3 and 7, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium" (A/RES/65/55), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/19-2012/ADU dated 7 March 2012 refers).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012) <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 11 May 2012

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Eleventh session

8th meeting *Half-day discussion on Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Central Asia and Transcaucasia* . . . . . [8]

The Permanent Forum held a panel discussion, in the course of which statements were made by Ms. Anna Naykanchina and Mr. Andrey Nikiforov, members of the Permanent Forum; Mr. Maxim Travnikov, representative of the Government of the Russian Federation; Mr. Rodion Sulyandziga, representative of indigenous peoples; Mr. Mikhail

Pogodaev, Association of Reindeer Herders; and Ms. Kathrine Johnsen, United Nations Environment Programme.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Arctic Caucus; Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North, Siberia and Far East of the Russian Federation; Youth Association of Finno-Ugric Peoples; L'auravetli'an Information and Education Network of Indigenous Peoples; Foundation for Research and Support of Indigenous Peoples of Crimea; Mejlis of the Crimean Tatar People; Council of Yakaghirs Elders; and Foundation for the Protection of the Constitutional Rights of the Indigenous Peoples of Russia.

The panellists made concluding remarks.

Discussion on the special theme for the year: "The Doctrine of Discovery: its enduring impact on indigenous peoples and the right to redress for past conquests (articles 28 and 37 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples)" . [3]

Report of the expert group meeting: Combating violence against indigenous women and girls, article 22 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Tribal Link/Project Access Global Training Program; Confederation of Indigenous Peoples of Bolivia; Alianza de Mujeres Indígenas de Centro América y Mexico; Indian Social Institute; Adivasi Vijaya Samajic Sanstha (Tribal Welfare Society); Chotanagpur Rising Association; Tonatierra; San Caucus; Kapaeeng Foundation; Jaringan Orang Asal SeMalaysia; Jatiya Adivasi Parishad; Asian Indigenous Women's Network; United Confederation of Taino People; and Jumchab Metta Foundation.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 11 May 2012

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-fourth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3130th meeting *Organization of work*

The Commission adopted the programme of work for the second week of the session.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to article 20, paragraph 1 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 22 December 1995

Acceptance: Bosnia and Herzegovina (9 May 2012)[1]

Convention on Biological Diversity. Rio de Janeiro, 5 June 1992

Territorial application: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (8 May 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Food Assistance Convention
London, 25 April 2012

Opening for signature

The Food Assistance Convention was adopted on 25 April 2012 at London.

In accordance with its article 12, the "Convention shall be open for signature by Argentina, Australia, the Republic of Austria, the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, Canada, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Kingdom of Denmark, the European Union, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Finland, the French Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, Hungary, Ireland, the Italian Republic, Japan, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Republic of Malta, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Poland, the Portuguese Republic, Romania, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Slovenia, the Kingdom of Spain, the Kingdom of Sweden, the Swiss Confederation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 11 June 2012 until 31 December 2012".

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the English and French texts are equally authentic, are being printed and will be distributed as soon as possible. Electronic copies of the Convention are posted on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/signature/2012/CTC_XIX-48.pdf>.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Convention must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if the States and the international organization to which the Convention is open for signature and wishing to sign could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* accessible on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection at the following address: <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/publications/THB/English.pdf>.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Angola
H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asia-Pacific States:
Myanmar
H.E. Mr. Than Swe

Eastern European States:
Hungary
H.E. Mr. Csaba Kőrösi

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guyana
H.E. Mr. George Wilfred Talbot

Western European and other States:
Switzerland
H.E. Mr. Paul Seger

Security Council

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Web site of the presidency

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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